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Pacific County osteopathic physician suspended on substance abuse charges

OLYMPIA — Allegations of substance abuse have led the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery and the Department of Health to immediately suspend the license of Ryan E. Chamberlin (OP0001589), an osteopathic physician in Pacific County.

The charges say that Chamberlin appeared to be intoxicated when he treated at least one patient. Staff and patients told investigators that Chamberlin appeared to be impaired. The board and the department say Chamberlin cannot practice safely as he poses an unacceptable risk to the public's health, safety, and welfare. Chamberlin cannot practice in Washington until these charges are resolved.

Chamberlin has 20 days to respond to the charges and to ask for a hearing. Legal documents are available by clicking the link to Provider Credential Search on the <u>agency home page</u> (www.doh.wa.gov) or by calling 360-236-4700.

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